

NCDOT TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING MARCH 17 IN KANNAPOLIS FOR THE
PROPOSED GRADE SEPARATION OF ROGERS LAKE ROAD IN KANNAPOLIS

TIP Project No. Y-4810K

The N.C. Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting regarding the proposed grade separation of Rogers Lake Road over the Norfolk Southern/North Carolina Railroad in Cabarrus County.

The meeting will take place on **Monday, March 17** from **5 to 7 p.m.** at the **Kannapolis Train Station, 201 S. Main Street**. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above hours as there will be no formal presentation. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and receive comments regarding the proposed project. Citizens will also have the opportunity to submit comments and questions in writing.

The purpose of the project is to improve safety by removing the existing Rogers Lake Road at-grade railroad crossing and replacing with a grade separation. A grade separation means using a bridge to separate intersecting roads and/or railroads. This would reduce the possibility of vehicle-train collisions and improve traffic flow by eliminating the need for vehicles to wait for trains to cross through the intersection. The closure of the crossing at Winecoff School Road was previously included in this project, and is now incorporated in TIP Project I-3802, which includes replacing the current at-grade crossing with a grade separation.

This project is a part of an effort to reduce the number of redundant and/or unsafe rail-highway at-grade crossings statewide. The proposed road will include a bridge over the railroad tracks and Main Street, eliminating potential for conflicts with the railroad. Traffic will be maintained in the project area during construction and this project will require the purchase of additional right-of-way.

For additional information, contact James Bridges, Jr. at 1 S Wilmington Street, Raleigh, 27601, by phone at (919) 707-4716, or via email at jfbbridges@ncdot.gov. Please submit comments by Friday, April 4, 2014.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in these meetings. Anyone requiring special services should contact Bridges as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

Persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, may receive interpretive services upon request prior to the meeting by calling (800) 481-6494.